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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Prior to the calculation of the filing fees of the above application, please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 5, line 1, change "either claims 3 or 4" to read --claim 3--.

Claim 6, line 1, change "any of claims 3 to 5" to read --claim 3--.

Claim 18, line 1, change "18" to read --16--.

Claim 20, line 1, change "19" to read --16--.

## <u>REMARKS</u>

The above amendment is believed to place the claims in proper condition for examination.

Early and favorable action is awaited.